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Serial No. 10/486,122 and in copending related application Serial
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It is noted that there are prior art rejections in the
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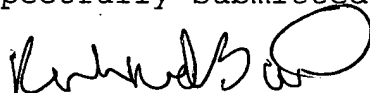
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WO 2003/013612 (not a prior art reference against the above-identified patent application Serial No. 10/486,122) and Johnson et al., Cereal Chemistry, (1975), 52, pp.70-78.

In the December 23, 2008 Office Action in parent application Serial No. 10/486,122, there is an anticipation rejection over Breton et al. (USP 5,977,209) and an obviousness rejection over Breton et al. (USP 5,977,209) in view of Asami et al. (USP 6,200,053) or Matsuda et al. (JP 10-309182).

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